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SUBJECT:

Justification for Bond Amount, Mark Miller, Expectations Mine,

S/035/024, Salt Lake County, Utah

The purpose of this memorandum is to explain the rationale for the bond for the referenced small mine notice.

The operator is taking rocks from the surface and near the surface. The operation plan says any excavations will be filled within four days. In the case of a bond forfeiture, the Division would be responsible for a relatively small amount of grading work. Otherwise, the required reclamation would be to prepare the seedbed and apply seed. The bond of \$1000 per acre is appropriate for this amount of reclamation.

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